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86S CLOSURE AT AVENUE 52 FOR UTILITY WORK

Coachella - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) advises motorists that a full closure of the interchange at 86S and Avenue 52 will occur starting at 7AM February 23, 2005 through 5 PM March 8, 2005. Utility work will be completed on Avenue 52 between 86S and the bridge that spans the Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel.

Detour signs will be posted one week prior to the scheduled start date and changeable message boards will advise motorists of the closure.

ALTERNATES ROUTES:

Motorists may access 86S by using Avenue 50 to the north or by using Airport Boulevard to the south. Local businesses located on Avenue 52, east of the Coachella Valley Storm Water Channel, are accessible by using Highway 111 to the west and turning east onto Avenue 52.

Caltrans reminds motorists to always drive carefully through construction zones, be alert, stay smart, and **SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE.**

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